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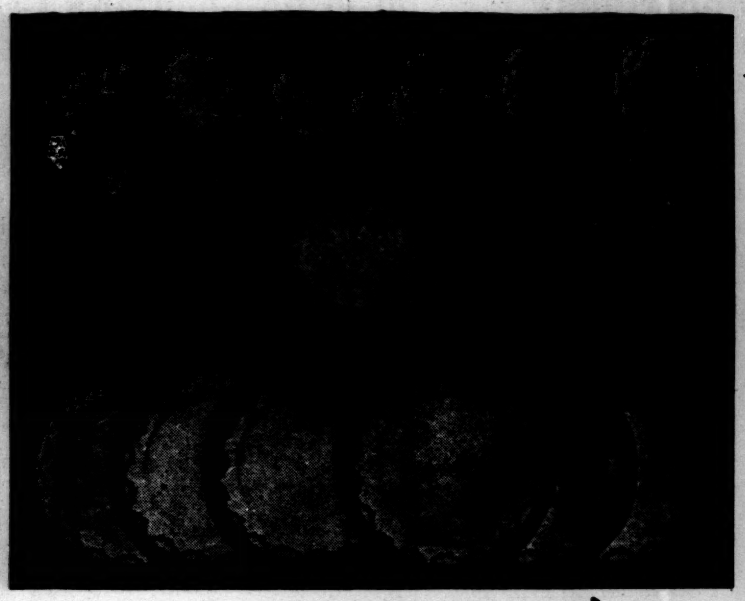

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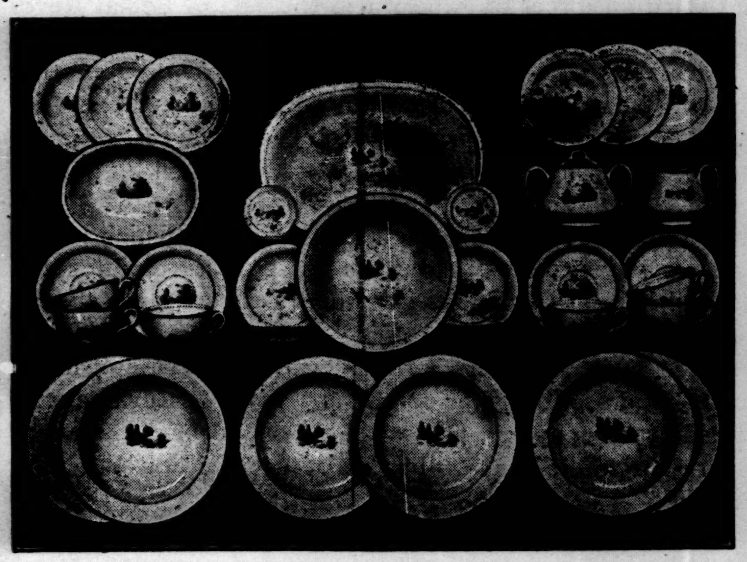

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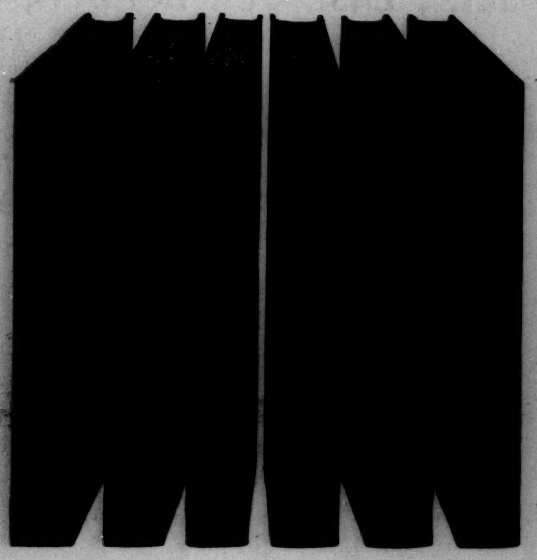

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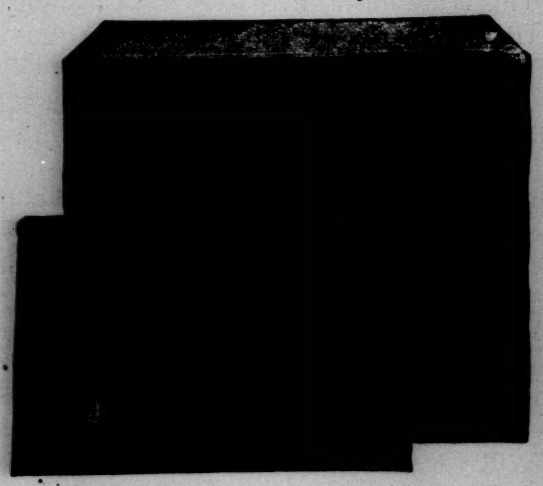

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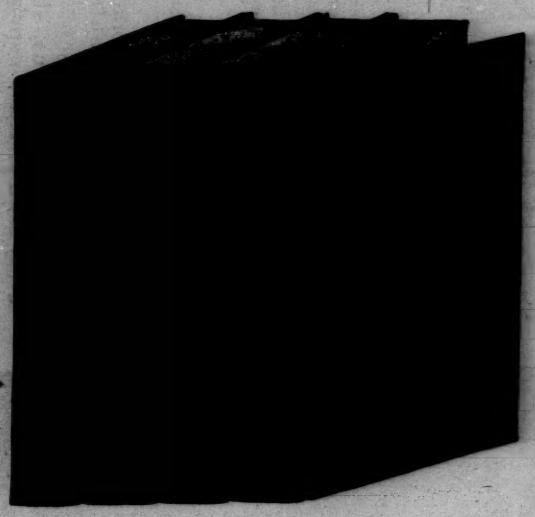

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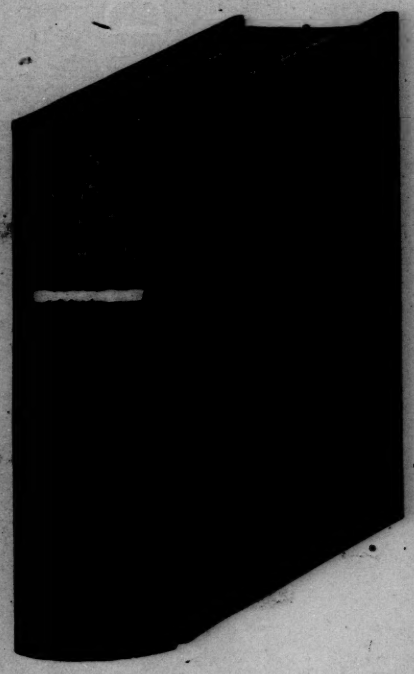

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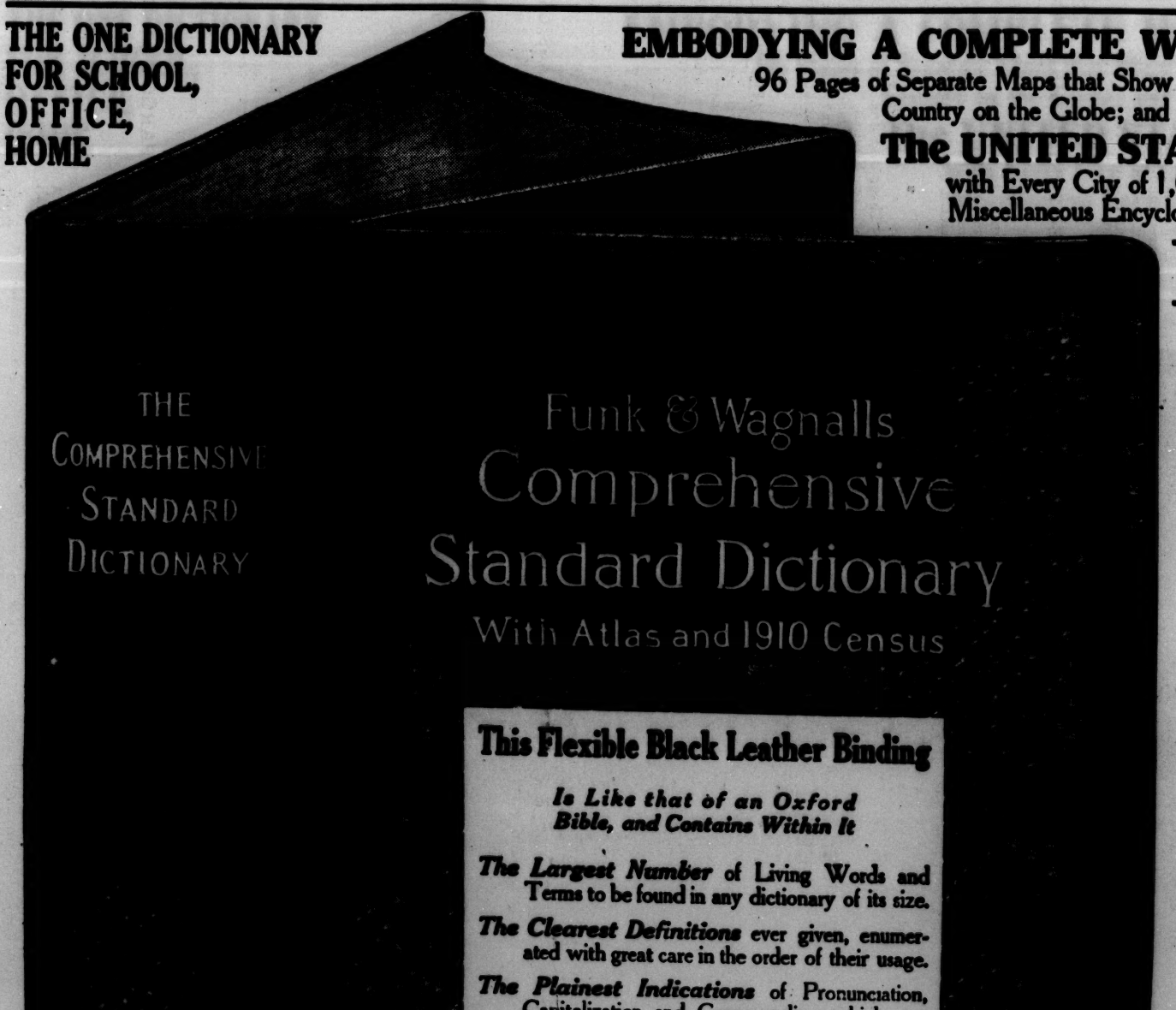

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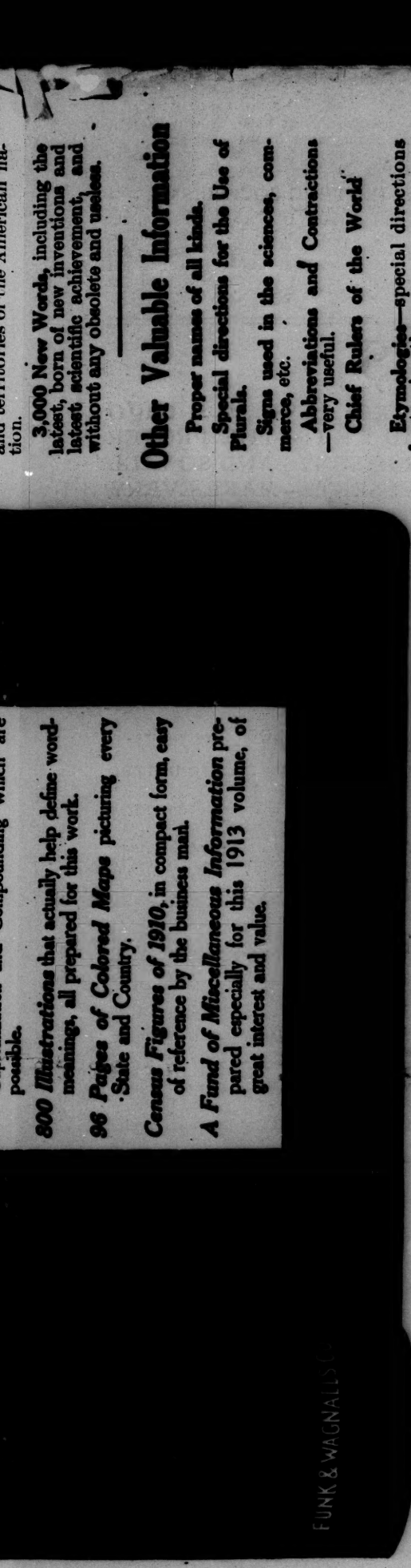

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WAR WITH MEXICO?

Proper Way for U. S. to Handle Mexico is to Keep Hands Off

More hypocritical drivel than usual is now being spent by capitalist editors upon the Mexican situation. If the United States would keep hands off, serve notice upon other nations to keep hands off, and let the Mexican people buy arms wherever they can, the trouble in that rich and sunny land would soon be ended by the Mexicans themselves.

The meddling of the United States government with the internal affairs of an independent nation at the behest of financial pirates, and for no other reason, has brought us into the present crisis. A war with Mexico on our part to save and increase the value of the Mexican estates of such adventurers as Wm. R. Hearst, whose chain of papers are all screaming for intervention because he has grabbed a million acres of land there, would be a crime a million times worse than any committed by Huerta and F. Diaz to obtain their power; for the Mexican people will arise against us as interlopers in defense of any Mexican president, and we would have to murder thousands of them and sacrifice thousands of our sons—what for? To protect the stolen property of heartless and unscrupulous American buccaneers.

All talk of the "patience of the United States Government under insult" is mere buncombe to deceive the ignorant. The insults and outrages have all been committed from our side in a manner we would never have dared for a moment to assume toward a nation strong enough to defend itself.

If the United States Government interferes in Mexico it will be but a part of the scheme of imperialism that has disgraced and cursed this nation for a generation and which has dragged our banner of freedom in the mud and blood of conquest and tyranny and well-nigh destroyed our early American ideals.

Our statue of liberty no longer enlightens the world. The oil in her lamp would cost too much in this mercenary age.

We might better annex Mexico and give her states equal rights with ours in a common government than to dominate her from without in the interest of American exploiters. But we have internal troubles enough now. Let us keep within our borders and develop genuine freedom and general prosperity at home. Then our example and power will be worth something to the other nations of the world.

Comrade, many misguided people are fighting against the **Christian Socialist** to destroy it. Why do you not work harder to sustain it and to spread its message?

Is the **Christian Socialist** worthy of your support? Then do what you can this month.

PROPOSED 18th AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES—THE RIGHT TO A JOB

By W. W. Passage

1. The right of every human being to the opportunity to work and to receive—each according to the value of the service rendered—the multiplied product arsing from co-operative labor, modern machinery and methods, associated industry and scientific discovery, shall never be denied or abridged.

2. Congress shall have (and must employ) the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation for assuming the collective ownership and democratic management of sufficient natural resources and industrial equipment to employ all persons demanding such employment.

Here in brief is the inspiring industrial ideal of Socialism.

The society which does not insure the right to work is not a civilized society; the philosophy which does not contemplate it is a false philosophy; the religion which does not constrain its adherents to espouse it is a sham; legislators and judges who conspire to prevent it deserve the anathema and scorn which befit the enemies of the human race; the political platform which omits it should be repudiated by the voters and spat upon by all humanity; the constitution which does not guarantee this right is a contemptible fraud, and should be torn up and thrown to the flames; the flag which does not symbolize it should be lowered in disgrace and trampled under foot. The denial of this right is today the most henious of all sins against God or man! If there be such a thing as a "mortal sin," this is it!

The Socialist party is pledged by its platform and by the solemn vow of each and every member to build this right into the foundation of our social structure as solid as the basaltic base of the everlasting rocks. The Republican and Democratic parties have repeatedly had the power to do this, but either did not want. or did not know how, to do it. In either case they are tried and found wanting. The handwriting of political ignomy and oblivion stands out in blazing letters on the walls of destiny, forecasting their doubly deserved and irretrievable destruction.

Authorities:

1. "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights; that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Declaration of Independence

(The pursuit of anything when the pursuer has no ground upon which to run, is both unsafe and unfruitful.)

"What I object to is this economic-chance world in which we live, and which we men seem to have created. It ought to be law as inflexible in human affairs as the order of day and night in the physical world, that if a man will work he shall both rest and eat, and shall not be harrassed by any question of how his repose and provision will come. Nothing less ideal than this satisfies the reason. But in our state of things no one is sure of this. No one is sure of finding work; no one is sure of not losing it. I may have my work taken away from me at any moment by the caprice, the mood, the indigestion, of a man who has not the qualification for knowing whether I do it well or ill. At any time of life—at every time of life—a man ought to feel that if he will keep on doing his duty, he shall not suffer in himself nor in those who are dear to him, except through natural causes. But as things are now, no man can feel this. And so we can go on pushing and pulling, climbing and crawling, thrusting aside and trampling under foot; lying, cheating, stealing; and when we get to the end, covered with blood and dirt and sin and shame, and look back over the way we've come to a palace of our own, or to the poorhouse (which is about the only place we can claim with our brother men)I don't think the retrospect can be pleasing."—William Dean Howells.

"It is right and necessary that all men should have work to do which shall be worth doing, and be of itself pleasant to do; and which should be done under such conditions as would make it neither over-wearisome nor over-anxious.

"Turn that claim about as I may, think of it as long as I can, I cannot find that it is an exorbitant claim; yet again I say if Society would or could admit it, the face of the world would be changed; discontent and strife and dishonesty would be ended. To feel that we were doing work useful to others and pleasant to ourselves, and that such work and its due reward could not fail us! What serious harm could happen to us then? And the price to be paid for so making the world happy is Revolution."—William Morris.

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"To know this movement, to breathe in its atmosphere, to co-operate in its consummation, is to live—nothing else is." Look into it, Brother!

SEX HYGIENE IN SCHOOLS

Under the wise leadership of City Superintendent of Schools Mrs. Ella Flagg Young the pupils of the Chicago high schools are to receive regular lectures on personal purity. The sexes will be separated to receive these lectures, which will be suited to the various ages of the pupils.

Everywhere the spread of immorality and disease is forcing real lovers of their kind to realize that information concerning themselves should not be withheld from boys and girls until it is too late, and that such instruction can not begin too soon. All other schools should furnish such instruction.

HOW THE BEAST POLLUTES POLITICS

By Congressman Clyde H. Tavenner

Former Congressman J. Adam Bede, of Minnesota, offers a reward of $1,000 to any charitable organization for proof that the National Association of Manufacturers spent money to bribe a member of Congress.

If Mr. Bede will offer the $1,000 for proof that this association spent money to intimidate, coerce or terrify members of Congress into the support of legislation inimical to labor, he will have no trouble in disbursing his savings.

Here is a case in point which requires no Congressional investigation to substantiate, having been amply proven by correspondence already published. When former Congressman J. J. Gardner first came to Washington as a representative of the people, he was a worthy friend of labor. The N. A. M. promptly took notice of him. It sent much boodle into his district and came near defeating him. Gardner learned his lesson. Thereafter he was "good." That is, he became unfriendly to labor. In fact he became so hostile to labor that Uncle Joe Cannon decided he would make an excellent chairman of the Labor Committee. And Gardner was an excellent chairman from the viewpoint of the N. A. M. Whenever a bill pertaining to the welfare of labor was introduced in the House it was referred to Mr. Gardner's committee, which was equivalent to referring it to the catacomba, because, unless it was hostile to workingmen it was never again heard of.

Mr. Bede's published statement is so worded as to imply his belief that the working methods of the N. A. M. were patriotic and deserve no criticism. I desire for one to disagree.

It is true that the published evidence does not show that the method of the N. A. M. in seeking to control legislation was to approach a member of Congress and say: "Here is $1,000. Vote so and so." That would constitute a crime punishable with a penitentiary sentence. The scheme used by the N. A. M. was more artistic and modern. It provided for the obtaining of the same results that would be obtained by the more criminal method, without any risk of going to prison.

The working method of the N. A. M. appears to have been as follows: Suppose a member of Congress conscientiously believes eight hours constitutes a fair day's work on a government battleship. He so votes.

The N. A. M. promptly places his name down on the blacklist, and the next time election rolls around sends sufficient money into his district to beat him.

I would like to ask Mr. Bede this question: "Suppose the N. A. M. was permitted to go on working systematically year after year, spending money to nominate men hostile to labor and spending money to defeat members of Congress who refused to be hostile to labor, how long a time does Mr. Bede believe the N. A. M. would need to make Congress a body of men that would be exclusively representing big business and special privilege?

And after the N. A. M. had finally succeeded in routing out of Congress the very last man independent of big business, how long does Mr. Bede believe the people would be satisfied with this form of government?